

## 101ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2019 and 2020 SB1124

Introduced 2/5/2019, by Sen. Terry Link

## SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

35 ILCS 143/10-5

Amends the Tobacco Products Tax Act of 1995. Provides that, beginning on July 1, 2019, "tobacco products" also includes electronic cigarettes. Effective immediately.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT MAY APPLY

1 AN ACT concerning revenue.

## Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly:

- 4 Section 5. The Tobacco Products Tax Act of 1995 is amended
- 5 by changing Section 10-5 as follows:
- 6 (35 ILCS 143/10-5)
- 7 Sec. 10-5. Definitions. For purposes of this Act:
- 8 "Business" means any trade, occupation, activity, or
- 9 enterprise engaged in, at any location whatsoever, for the
- 10 purpose of selling tobacco products.
- "Cigarette" has the meaning ascribed to the term in Section
- 12 1 of the Cigarette Tax Act.
- "Contraband little cigar" means:
- 14 (1) packages of little cigars containing 20 or 25
- 15 little cigars that do not bear a required tax stamp under
- 16 this Act;
- 17 (2) packages of little cigars containing 20 or 25
- 18 little cigars that bear a fraudulent, imitation, or
- 19 counterfeit tax stamp;
- 20 (3) packages of little cigars containing 20 or 25
- 21 little cigars that are improperly tax stamped, including
- 22 packages of little cigars that bear only a tax stamp of
- another state or taxing jurisdiction; or

(4) packages of little cigars containing other than 20 or 25 little cigars in the possession of a distributor, retailer or wholesaler, unless the distributor, retailer, or wholesaler possesses, or produces within the time frame provided in Section 10-27 or 10-28 of this Act, an invoice from a stamping distributor, distributor, or wholesaler showing that the tax on the packages has been or will be paid.

"Correctional Industries program" means a program run by a State penal institution in which residents of the penal institution produce tobacco products for sale to persons incarcerated in penal institutions or resident patients of a State operated mental health facility.

"Department" means the Illinois Department of Revenue.

"Distributor" means any of the following:

- (1) Any manufacturer or wholesaler in this State engaged in the business of selling tobacco products who sells, exchanges, or distributes tobacco products to retailers or consumers in this State.
- (2) Any manufacturer or wholesaler engaged in the business of selling tobacco products from without this State who sells, exchanges, distributes, ships, or transports tobacco products to retailers or consumers located in this State, so long as that manufacturer or wholesaler has or maintains within this State, directly or by subsidiary, an office, sales house, or other place of

business, or any agent or other representative operating within this State under the authority of the person or subsidiary, irrespective of whether the place of business or agent or other representative is located here permanently or temporarily.

(3) Any retailer who receives tobacco products on which the tax has not been or will not be paid by another distributor.

"Distributor" does not include any person, wherever resident or located, who makes, manufactures, or fabricates tobacco products as part of a Correctional Industries program for sale to residents incarcerated in penal institutions or resident patients of a State operated mental health facility.

## "Electronic cigarette" means:

- (1) any device that employs a battery or other mechanism to heat a solution or substance to produce a vapor or aerosol intended for inhalation;
- (2) any cartridge or container of a solution or substance intended to be used with or in the device or to refill the device; or
- (3) any solution or substance, whether or not it contains nicotine intended for use in the device.

  "Electronic cigarette" includes, but is not limited to, any electronic nicotine delivery system, electronic cigar, electronic cigarillo, electronic pipe, electronic hookah, vape pen, or similar product or device, and any components

"Electronic cigarette" does not include: cigarettes as defined in Section 1 of the Cigarette Tax Act; any product approved by the United States Food and Drug Administration for sale as a tobacco cessation product, a tobacco dependence product, or for other medical purposes that is being marketed and sold solely for that approved purpose; any asthma inhaler prescribed by a physician for that condition and is being marketed and sold solely for that approved for the use under the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Pilot Program Act.

"Little cigar" means and includes any roll, made wholly or in part of tobacco, where such roll has an integrated cellulose acetate filter and weighs less than 4 pounds per thousand and the wrapper or cover of which is made in whole or in part of tobacco.

"Manufacturer" means any person, wherever resident or located, who manufactures and sells tobacco products, except a person who makes, manufactures, or fabricates tobacco products as a part of a Correctional Industries program for sale to persons incarcerated in penal institutions or resident patients of a State operated mental health facility.

Beginning on January 1, 2013, "moist snuff" means any finely cut, ground, or powdered tobacco that is not intended to be smoked, but shall not include any finely cut, ground, or

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- powdered tobacco that is intended to be placed in the nasal cavity.
- "Person" means any natural individual, firm, partnership,
  association, joint stock company, joint venture, limited
  liability company, or public or private corporation, however
  formed, or a receiver, executor, administrator, trustee,
  conservator, or other representative appointed by order of any
- 9 "Place of business" means and includes any place where
  10 tobacco products are sold or where tobacco products are
  11 manufactured, stored, or kept for the purpose of sale or
  12 consumption, including any vessel, vehicle, airplane, train,
  13 or vending machine.
- "Retailer" means any person in this State engaged in the business of selling tobacco products to consumers in this State, regardless of quantity or number of sales.
- "Sale" means any transfer, exchange, or barter in any manner or by any means whatsoever for a consideration and includes all sales made by persons.
  - "Stamp" or "stamps" mean the indicia required to be affixed on a package of little cigars that evidence payment of the tax on packages of little cigars containing 20 or 25 little cigars under Section 10-10 of this Act. These stamps shall be the same stamps used for cigarettes under the Cigarette Tax Act.
- "Stamping distributor" means a distributor licensed under this Act and also licensed as a distributor under the Cigarette

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1 Tax Act or Cigarette Use Tax Act.

"Tobacco products" means any cigars, including little cigars; cheroots; stogies; periques; granulated, plug cut, crimp cut, ready rubbed, and other smoking tobacco; snuff (including moist snuff) or snuff flour; cavendish; plug and twist tobacco; fine-cut and other chewing tobaccos; shorts; refuse scraps, clippings, cuttings, and sweeping of tobacco; and other kinds and forms of tobacco, prepared in such manner as to be suitable for chewing or smoking in a pipe or otherwise, or both for chewing and smoking; but does not include cigarettes as defined in Section 1 of the Cigarette Tax Act or tobacco purchased for the manufacture of cigarettes by cigarette distributors and manufacturers defined Cigarette Tax Act and persons who make, manufacture, or fabricate cigarettes as a part of a Correctional Industries for sale to residents incarcerated in institutions or resident patients of a State operated mental health facility. Beginning on July 1, 2019, "tobacco products" also includes electronic cigarettes.

"Wholesale price" means the established list price for which a manufacturer sells tobacco products to a distributor, before the allowance of any discount, trade allowance, rebate, or other reduction. In the absence of such an established list price, the manufacturer's invoice price at which the manufacturer sells the tobacco product to unaffiliated distributors, before any discounts, trade allowances, rebates,

- or other reductions, shall be presumed to be the wholesale
- 2 price.
- 3 "Wholesaler" means any person, wherever resident or
- 4 located, engaged in the business of selling tobacco products to
- 5 others for the purpose of resale. "Wholesaler", when used in
- 6 this Act, does not include a person licensed as a distributor
- 7 under Section 10-20 of this Act unless expressly stated in this
- 8 Act.
- 9 (Source: P.A. 97-688, eff. 6-14-12; 98-273, eff. 8-9-13;
- 10 98-1055, eff. 1-1-16.)
- 11 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
- 12 becoming law.